

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, February 15, 2022**

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice-President, Jerry Donald, Kai Hagen, Phil Dacey and Steve McKay were present for the meeting. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Also present were Ragen Cherney, County Council Chief of Staff; Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary; and Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. virtually.

Opening Statement from Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer provided an opening statement at the start of the meeting. Included in that statement was a welcoming to the Legislative meeting for Tuesday, February 15, 2022 and information on how to watch and participate in the meeting. President Keegan-Ayer called roll and a quorum was established for the meeting.

The meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action on the Agenda

Council Member Michael Blue moved to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater			X
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Business Items:

Budget Adjustments

- J-22-190 – Interagency Information Technologies Division
- J-22-193 – Housing & Community Development, Citizens Services Division

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- J-22-198 – Transit Services Division
- J-22-200 – Accounting & Finance, Water and Sewer Utilities Division
- J-22-201 – Frederick County Developmental Center, Health Services Division
- J-22-203 – Area Agency on Aging, Senior Services Division
- J-22-205 – Frederick County Public Libraries
- J-22-207 – Area Agency on Aging, Senior Services Division

Council Member Jerry Donald moved to approve Budget Adjustments J-22-190, J-22-193, J-22-198, J-22-200, J-22-201, J-22-203, J-22-205 and J-22-207 as presented. Council Member Steve McKay seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater			X
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Approval of Minutes from February 1, 2022.

Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve the minutes from February 1, 2022, as presented. Council Member Jerry Donald seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater			X
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Confirmation of County Executive's Appointments to the Frederick County Boards and Commissions

Joyce Grossnickle, Administrative Officer, briefed the Council on the Confirmation of County Executive's Appointments to Boards and Commissions.

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Affordable Housing Council

Council Member Kai Hagen moved to confirm the appointment Veronica Henry to the Affordable Housing Council to terms as presented by staff. Council Member Jerry Donald seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater			X
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Commission for Women

Council Member Steve McKay moved to confirm the appointments of Edwina Benites and Shawn Horton to the Commission for Women to terms as presented by staff. Council Member Jerry Donald seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater			X
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Electrical Board

Council Member Jerry Donald moved to confirm the appointments of Chip Horn and Scott Mercer to the Electrical Board to terms as presented by staff. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present

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District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater			X
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Human Relations Commission

Council Member Steve McKay moved to confirm the appointment of Danielle Haskin to the Human Relations Commission to terms as presented by staff. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater was absent.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater			X
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

The Council took a break from 5:45 p.m. to 7:08p.m.

Public Hearing:

To Consider Bill No. 22-01 – Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure for Certain New Residential Structures

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer presented information on Bill No. 22-01 – Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure for Certain New Residential Structures

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Public Comment was heard from:

- Walter Bater
- Joel Remsberger
- Danielle Adams

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- Matt Seubert
- Linda Norris
- Susan Norris
- Elizabeth Law

Council Member Comments:

Council Member comments were provided.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President
County Council